

"GOING AHEAD TO HAVE FAIR"

—PRESIDENT FRANCIS.

If the Date of the Exposition Were 1910 There Would Still Be Laggards.

BARRETT NOT UNDERSTOOD

REGARDLESS OF THE COMMISSIONER WORK GOES ON.

We Shall Have the Greatest Show the World Ever Saw in 1906," President Francis Asserts.

A special dispatch to the Post-Dispatch from Washington relative to the progress made to secure exhibits of foreign countries for the World's Fair is as follows: "Hon. John Barrett, one of the foreign representatives of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, called on President Roosevelt today and informed him all, or nearly all, the representatives of foreign governments at Washington has told him unofficially that their governments would not be able to exhibit at the St. Louis Fair in 1903. They claim, he told the President, the reasons given by the foreign governments for their inability to exhibit in 1903 is that they cannot possibly prepare creditable exhibits by that time.

Wants to Hear From St. Louis.

"It is not known what expression the President made on the subject, but Mr. Barrett says if there is any postponement of the Fair the initiative must come from St. Louis and the World's Fair management. It is presumed, therefore, that the President so informed Mr. Barrett.

"Mr. Barrett says these statements were made to him by foreign representatives here in an unofficial manner, because if they had been made official it would obligate the foreign governments to make an exhibit, provided the Fair is postponed."

Francis Is "Going Ahead."

Mr. Barrett is special commissioner to Asia, Australia and the Philippines for the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Co. He has been several months in Washington interviewing the foreign representatives there in the World's Fair before he goes abroad. Gov. Francis was shown the special dispatch Thursday morning, and asked if it indicated a change in the Exposition Company's plans.

"Not at all," responded the governor, emphatically. "We are going ahead to have the Fair in 1903, and we shall have it that year."

"Mr. Barrett has reported to the company that on one or two occasions there has been expressed by foreign ministers regret that the time is so short. We expected that. If we set the Fair for 1910, there would be some countries which would say they could not get ready in time.

"I do not know why Mr. Barrett should have seen the President, but regardless of that, we shall push the building of the Fair and have the greatest show the world has seen here in 1903."

ASSASSINATED IN HIS STUDY

Bulgarian Minister of Public Instruction Killed—His Murderer Commits Suicide.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 6.—M. Kamtcheff, the minister of public instruction, was assassinated today in his study, by a Macedonian who pretended he wanted to present a petition. The assassin subsequently committed suicide by shooting himself.

HYATT SEES A BLIZZARD

Official Forecast Says Snow and Much Colder Weather Are on the Way From the North.

A blizzard, more or less severe, with a return to zero weather, is coming before Friday night, according to Dr. Hyatt. Those who are abroad early Friday morning will notice that the air has grown fresh, and this impression will deepen as they know of what they stay out of doors Friday.

"Unsettled," which is a synonym for "trouble" at the weather bureau, is the first word of Dr. Hyatt's official prediction. The rest of the prediction is: "Probably snow to night. Friday, colder Friday."

"Highs" and "lows" are as easy to follow as a trail in midstream, and from his study of their contours, Dr. Hyatt believes that he is safe in saying that the thermometer will go down 25 or 30 degrees Friday.

Up North zero is considered warm weather. The present temperature is much below that mark.

The river will continue in a congested state.

THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

COLDER FRIDAY.

Massachusetts—Threatening Thursday night, with probably snow buries and cold in east and south portions; Friday, generally fair, with cold in southeast half, with clearing to north.

For St. Louis and vicinity—Unsettled, with probably snow Thursday night or Friday; colder Friday.

Illinois—Snow storm Thursday night, with cold in northwest portion; Friday, probably fair and colder; Saturday, shifting to northwest wind.

JOHN ROBINSON SINKING RAPIDLY

Supt. Nietert Says His Condition Is Less Hopeful.

WIFE PRESENT CONSTANTLY

SHE NOW BELIEVES HER HUSBAND MET WITH ACCIDENT.

According to Explanation Which She Credits, He Fell Down Stairway and Was Carried to Top by Friends.

JOHN ROBINSON.

The condition of John A. Robinson, the well-known stenographer, who was injured by the collapse of the building at 24 North Third street, last Saturday night, showed a change for the worse Thursday morning.

Dr. H. L. Nietert, superintendent of the City Hospital, said that Robinson's great store of physical energy, which has done much to help him from succumbing to his injuries, had become nearly exhausted under the strain placed upon it, and that he was sinking perceptibly.

Mrs. Robinson has been constantly at her husband's bedside since Saturday night and has taken her meals in the hospital. At the request of Judge John A. Tully, in whose division of the Circuit Court Robinson was official stenographer, the patient has been placed in a private room.

Robinson was unconscious all day Wednesday, and in his delirium rehearsed parts of the testimony furnished at the instant inquiry in Mayor Wells' office at which he served as official stenographer.

During the last two days he has been heard to repeat frequently the words: "Those dark stairs!"

Mrs. Robinson now believes, from statements made to her by persons not connected with Howard's saloon, that her husband's injuries were accidentally received.

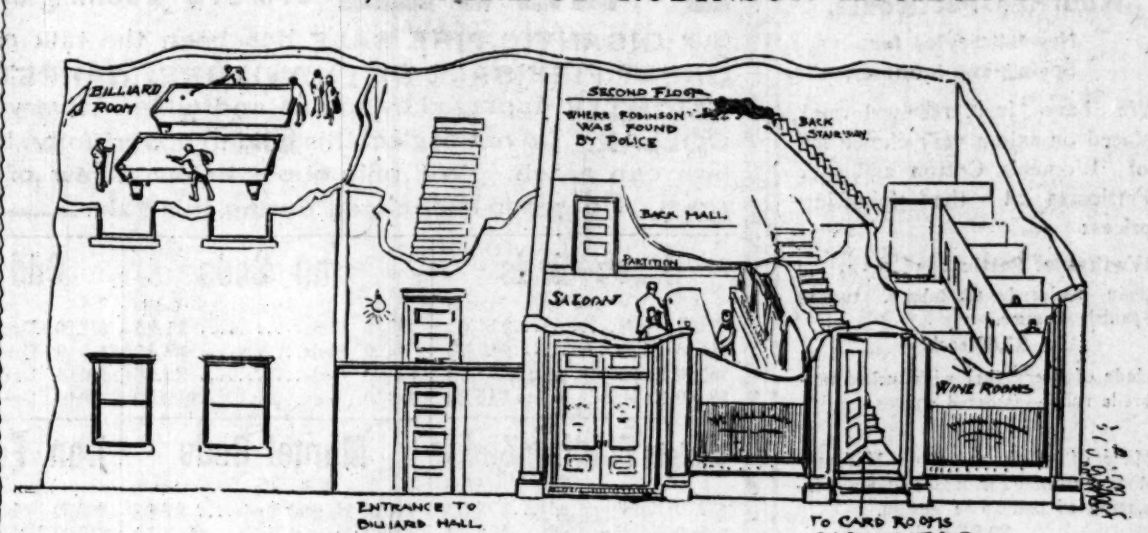
As Mrs. Robinson has been informed, her husband had been playing cards on the second floor of Howard's, and on stepping into the dark hallway, fell down the stairs leading to Garrison avenue.

The noise of the fall was heard by those in the bedroom, upstairs, and they descended the stairs, finding Robinson unconscious at the foot of the stairs, with his head against the door.

The injured man was carried back upstairs by his friends, a negro porter assisting. A carriage was then called and descended the stairs, finding Robinson unconscious at the foot of the stairs, with his head against the door.

The ambulance came, Robinson was found near the head of a rear pair of stairs, and the police reported that these stairs had been the scene of his fall.

"HOWARD'S," SCENE OF ROBINSON ACCIDENT



ALL THE BODIES ARE RECOVERED

MoBride Was Found Just After Midnight.

RUINS OF FIRE SMOLDER

SPECTATORS MAY BE UNDER THE DEBRIS, 'TIS THOUGHT.

Mayor Wells Has Ordered That the Collapse of the Building Be Carefully and Officially Investigated.

All the bodies have been taken from the ruins of the American Tent and Awning Co.'s building, 312 and 314 North Third street.

Shortly after midnight Thursday morning the body of the last fireman who is known to have lost his life in the Chestnut street fire, Frank McBride, was taken from the ruins of the American Tent and Awning Co. It was found outside the building, not far from the east wall and doorway leading into the building. The roll has been called in all the engine houses and every member of the department is accounted for.

The work of the rescuing party which has been digging without cessation ever since the catastrophe to recover the bodies of the unfortunate firemen ceased work when McBride's body was found.

In the crowd that surrounded the diggers when McBride was found were many relatives of the dead fireman. Mrs. McBride was about the scene early in the day, but had been driven away by the police before the body of her husband was recovered.

McBRIDE WAS FACE-DOWNWARD.

McBride was found lying face downward, with his hands outstretched as if he had been suddenly caught under the avalanche of brick and thrown flat.

It has been suggested that probably there may be spectators of the fire who may have ventured close to the building buried beneath the debris. This, however, is hardly likely, for the reason that the police had driven everyone from the street, except a few reporters and several spectators who were standing on the sidewalk.

Exchange building and occupied a stairway out of the range of the falling walls or debris. The collapse of no one was in the street, from Fourth street west to the depot.

Mayor Wells will issue an order that the collapse of the building be investigated by the building department. The records of the building's strength and capacity will be looked into.

Throttling his aged wife with one hand and holding a loaded revolver in the other, Frank Callen of 284 Keokuk street early Wednesday morning was on the point of executing his threat to end his domestic troubles with a double tragedy.

"I'll kill you and shoot myself," he exclaimed before he seized his wife.

This was at the Callen home, 284 Keokuk street.

His stepdaughter, Mrs. Bertha Weber, prevented the tragedy.

Warned by Callen's shouts, she reached the room when he was about to fire.

Though of small stature and frail, she tried with one blow she knocked away the hand that held the revolver and struck Callen in the face with her free hand.

He staggered back and the weapon fell. Mrs. Weber did not try to pick it up.

Catching her mother by the arm she forced her through the door into the parlor and locked the door.

Before Callen could force the barricade Mrs. Weber succeeded in getting Mrs. Callen, who was suffering from heart trouble brought on by her husband's violence, into the home of a neighbor next door.

Callen picked up his revolver and left the house. Wednesday afternoon he was arrested by Patrolman Craig and locked up.

Thursday he was tried before Judge Zimmerman in the Wyoming Street Police Court and fined \$25.

Mrs. Weber was prostrated at home and unable to appear.

Mrs. Weber prosecuted her stepfather and told of the peril of herself and mother.

Callen told the court that he had determined to end all worry by killing his wife and then shooting himself.

He asked Judge Zimmerman to let him have his pistol so he could end his troubles at once.

Callen conducted a brush factory in the rear of his home. Mrs. Callen has lived many years in South St. Louis. She married Callen in 1880 and they have had domestic troubles ever since.

Mrs. Weber has been living with her mother since her husband's death, a year and a half ago.

Four cases in which transit company employees are defendants were laid over by Judge Clark in the Court of Criminal Correction Thursday morning until Feb. 20.

This action was taken on an agreement between City Attorney Perry Post Taylor and Morton Jourdan, representing the transit company.

Mr. Jourdan said he admitted the facts in the case as presented by Mr. Taylor, but desired to argue the legality of the ordinance on which the prosecution was based.

The court set Feb. 15 as the date for hearing the arguments.

The transit company is being prosecuted for failure to stop their cars at signals from citizens waiting on street corners.

The cases were allowed to go against the company by default in the police courts.

TREASURER IN TROUBLE.

Charged With Misappropriating \$27,000 of City Funds.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 6.—Philip Gerat, former city treasurer, was arrested today charged with misappropriating \$27,000 of the city's funds.

Gerat was removed from office December last by Mayor David. He was charged at that time with misconduct in office and during the investigation of the charges admitted misappropriating \$20,000.

Since that time an investigation of the city treasurer's office has been made under the new city administration of Mayor Knight.

The marker bears the inscription: "Site of First Blockhouse, 1792. Erected by Bonnie Kate Chapter, D. A. R. Dedicated Admiral Schley, Feb. 6, 1902."

Tonight a reception will be tendered Admiral Schley by the Cumberland Club.

Admiral Schley will leave tomorrow morning for Washington.

Had Admiral Schley not been suffering from a severe cold he would have visited the birthplace of Farragut today.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Feb. 6.—This forenoon Admiral and Mrs. Schley, accompanied by many citizens and President Charles W. Dabney, visited the University of Tennessee buildings and grounds. They held a levee in science hall auditorium, where Admiral Schley subsequently entertained informally at the woman's building.

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GRANDJURY WILL GIVE THE NEXT THREE DAYS TO CENTRAL TRACTION DEAL

WITNESSES SUMMONED.

George D. Rosenthal, agent General Electric Co.

P. C. Maffitt, capitalist.

John G. Brinkmeyer, ex-member Council.

William Ritter, ex-member House of Delegates.

J. A. Lewis, Continental Bank.

D. A. Brown, tinner Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co.

Robert McLarin.

The grand jury decided Thursday morning to devote at least the next three afternoons to the \$250,000 Central Traction deal, which the Post-Dispatch exposed in April, 1898.

The Post-Dispatch's exclusive publication last Tuesday showed the grand jury that this bill had probably been altered in some detail after the last signature required to make it a law had been affixed.

The bill was a sandbagging measure which permitted the subsequent consolidation of all the lines which now compose the St. Louis Transit Co.'s system.

The charge is fully made that one thousand dollar bills were lavishly distributed for the passage of the bill, and that one city official received \$5,000.

The grand jury Thursday morning caused subpoenas to be issued for 12 new witnesses, who are, in addition to the 19 who were summoned Wednesday, and of whom only five appeared.

If witnesses in the Central Traction matter fail to appear promptly, the garbage or city lighting scandals will receive attention in the intervals, but the Central Traction bill will be the central feature of the grand jury's work.

Among the witnesses for whom subpoenas were issued Wednesday, but who failed to appear, was A. D. Brown, the head of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co. It is not known that he possesses any information about Central Traction matter, and it is believed that he is wanted in connection with another matter now under investigation.

A. D. BROWN WAS TOLD MONEY WOULD GET HIS CLAIM OF \$128,000 ALLOWED

Alanson D. Brown, the millionaire shoe manufacturer, president of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co., has been summoned to appear before the February grand jury as a witness.

The nature of the testimony Mr. Brown is expected to give cannot, of course, be exactly foretold, but it is surmised about the grand jury room in the Four Courts that it will have to do with the bill passed by the Municipal Assembly authorizing the sale of a fire engine house belonging to the City of St. Louis to the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co. for \$128,000 against the city for damages accrued to his property by the widening of Twelfth street.

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TABLE NAPKINS of Bleached Satin Damask, in half-dozen lots, worth \$1.10—Friday, half dozen **85 cents**

Soft Spun Silver Bleached Napkins in half dozen 10-2, worth 95c for half dozen— **70 cents**

TOWELING In practical lengths, worth up to 10c a yard—Friday, a yard..... **7½ cents**

SILVER BLEACHED TABLE DAMASK In 3 and 2½-yard lengths, worth 50c—Friday..... **37½ cents**

HEMMED HUCK TOWELS—Good generous sizes—Friday bargain prices 10c and..... **12½ cents**

PATTERN TABLE CLOTHS—

50-Inch. square, good values at 85c each—Friday	65 cents
at.....	
Doylies, hemstitched, open work, handdrawn, worth	7½ cents
15c. for.....	

...In the...
Cloak and Suit Room
On Second Floor

Ladies' three-quarter length Coats and Raglans, Jackets and Box Coats, Separate Skirts, Tailor-Made Suits, Flannel Waists, Flannellette House Wrappers, Children's and Baby Cloaks, Fur Jackets, Fur Sets, Fur Muffs, Fur Scarfs, etc., all on Friday at Bargain Basement.

WEDNESDAY **FLANNELLETTE**
LADIES' WAISTS—Regularly sold at \$1.00—
—cut full—were \$1.00 and \$1.25—
—before they last
Friday at..... **50 cents**

THURSDAY **FLANNELLETTE**
LADIES' WAISTERS—Beautiful patterns,
—all colors—were \$1.75
—and \$2.00 and \$2.50—
Friday at..... **\$1.90**

FRIDAY **LADIES' FLANNEL WAISTS**—
—Regularly sold at \$1.25 and
—\$1.50—only \$1.00—before we come
—too early if you **50 cents**

WEDNESDAY **LADIES' TAILOR MADE**
Suits—What is left of our
\$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00 lines—
—about 60 in all—
—your choice..... **\$5.00**

THURSDAY **TAILOR MADE** Suits
that were \$18.75, \$15.75 and
\$20.50—Friday at..... **\$10.00**

FRIDAY **LADIES' JACKETE**—Assorted
colors—\$5.00, .95 and \$7.50
Jackets—all go
Friday at..... **\$2.50**

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LADIES' FLANNEL WAISTS—
Fad. all wool, excellent styles
and regularity at \$2.50
and \$3.25 each—
Friday at..... **\$1.25**

VELVET PUR SCARFS—Riv-

LADIES' JACKETS—Fine
kersey cloth, satin lined Jackets
and Box Coats—were \$10.00,
\$11.75 and \$12.75—
to close out, at..... **\$5.00**

VELVET BLOUSE JACKETS—
\$25.00 Jackets— **\$12.50**

...electric, oil, natural
porsum, silver hair or coney
...regular \$2.95, \$3.50, \$3.95 and
4.00—for Fri-
day, at..... **\$1.50**

LADIES' FUR COLLARETTES
...\$4.50 and \$5.00 val-
... **\$2.50**

**LADIES' THREE-QUARTER
LENGTH COATS AND RAG-
LANS**—About 150 of them—the
same ones we have sold for
\$14.75, \$15.00 and \$18.00 **\$7.50**

—a bargain!.....**\$2.90**

WOMEN'S DRESS AND WALKING SKIRTS of silk cloth and corduroy—about 50 in all—were ~~\$5.00, \$6.00, \$6.50 and \$10.00~~ make your choice for.....**\$2.50**

All Fur Jackets, "Single and Double Scarfs and Muffs at Greatly Reduced Prices.

CHILDREN'S JACKETS, and also some Baby Coats, that were ~~\$2.50, \$3.50 and \$4.00~~ on one table—your choice Friday.....**\$1.50**

Fancy Metal Buttons Were 40c to \$1.50—

Leather Belts
Patent Leather and Real
Leather—were 50c—
Friday 19 cents

Friday at 25c dozen
Fancy Metal Buttons—
Were 50c to 95c dozen—
Friday 10c a dozen

<p>adies' Royal lastic Belts</p> <p>Fancy gilt buckles—were 1.65 and \$1.85—</p> <p>Friday 50 cents</p>	<p>Pearl Buttons</p> <p>All sizes—were 8c to 10c a doz.</p> <p>Friday 2½c a dozen</p> <p>Fancy Metal Belt Buckles</p> <p>Were 45c to 95c each—</p> <p>Friday 15 cents</p>
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ins! Plain Facts for Friday and Saturday.

READY CASH - BUYS

Sweet Corn for.....	8c	15c bottle of Kineast Ketchup for.....	35c
Java Coffee for.....	12½c	50c Teas (all kinds) pound.....	39c
and Oats.....	7½c	¼-lb. Absolutely Pure Pepper for.....	7c

received job of 500 cases of Worcestershire Sauce, worth **10c**

order—limit, 6 to a customer at, per bottle..... \$1.00
 NOS. BEST GRANULATED SUGAR with every purchase of our Matchless Mocha
 and Java Coffee at 34c pound—sold everywhere 3 pounds for \$1.00.
S TEA AND COFFEE COMPANY,
521 Franklin Av.
 Open Premises Available. Open Until 11:30 P. M. Saturday Evenings. "We

GED TO MOVE!!

PLACE TO GO!!!!
 MARCH 1st we will vacate our present
 location (Kodaks, Films, Paper and Plates
 are being sold regardless of cost or value.

WORREST HIGH,
SEVENTH ST. - - Holland Building.

of dawn a glad good-by.
her "Love's Kiss."
that space supreme
all quiver to an end;
my heart and comprehend
to an endless gleam
dying dreams.

announced the engagement of Miss Helen
Hay to Spencer Eddy, then secretary to
her father, who was ambassador to the
of St. Louis. The report proved to be
true. Two years ago she received
marked attention from Count Adolf Tschir-
owski, first secretary of the Austrian leg-
ation in Washington, but she did not

...to meet as friend with
...to blend.
...to shall and my dream.
...me and bestowed his kiss
...death: "I will not die,
...one remembers this:
...ah, come not yet!
...courage him and he fell away. Though
...she made her debut more than six years
...ago, and has known society from her
...beginnings in Cleveland to London, her
...friends believe her to have been entirely
...and free and engrossed with her muse
...until she met Payne Whitney.

Busy Bee—Bargain day tomorrow. **Charming**

CUPID WON BY DISTANCE 'PHONE

Arthur Barker Prevented
Postponement of Mar-
riage With Miss Hay.

SHE HAD PLANNED A TRIP
POSTPONEMENT ASKED TO EN-
ABLE HER TO MAKE IT.

He Called Her Up in Belleville From
Cleveland and Protest Resulted
in Marriage Wednesday, as
First Arranged.

If Arthur Edward Barker of Cleveland had not made love most ardently and vouched his suit with unremitting diligence, over a long-distance telephone, his marriage to Miss Clara Hay of Belleville might have been postponed a few months.

Miss Hay is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hay and a niece of Belleville's mayor.

Her marriage at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon was a most romantic society event. Society, however, did not know until after the ceremony how near it came to being temporarily disappointed.

After all the arrangements had been made for the event to take place as it did, Miss Hay concluded she would like to postpone it to enable her to visit friends in California a few months.

This desire entered her heart while she was entertaining Mrs. T. P. Harned and her daughter, Miss Anna of Philadelphia. Mrs. Harned and Miss Hay had planned a long trip to California and when Miss Hay heard of it, she immediately announced that she would accompany them.

"But your wedding," she suggested, "is postponed." "Oh, that can be postponed," she replied. "Mr. Barker will not mind a little delay."

When Mr. Barker did mind it greatly. When he read her letter in which she told him of her plans, he rushed to the long distance telephone and called her up.

After a long conversation with her, she announced that she had changed her mind about going to California and that the wedding would take place at the time appointed by the cards.

Rev. E. J. Bronson, pastor of the Baptist Church of Belleville, performed the ceremony. The bridesmaids were Misses Harned of Philadelphia and Mabelle Allen, Fannie Henchler and Gertrude Parker of St. Louis. The best man was Joseph Belden of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Barker departed Wednesday night for a wedding trip through the East. They will be at home at the Tavistock Hotel in Cleveland after March 1.

An Ideal Medicine.

A New Discovery Which Cures All
Forms of Catarrh.

The tablet is the ideal form in which to administer medicine, but until recently no successful catarrh tablet had ever been attempted. There is now, however, an excellent and palatable remedy for catarrh in tablet form, known as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and sold by druggists, composed of the most recent discoveries in medicine for cure of catarrh and results from their use have been highly gratifying.

The old-time treatment of catarrh was in the form of inhalers, washes, douches, sprays, etc. Later on internal remedies were used with greater success, but being in liquid or powder form were inconvenient to use, and like all medicines in liquid or powder form lose their medicinal properties when opened or exposed to the air.

Stuart's Catarrh Tablets contain highly concentrated antiseptics, Red Gum, Blood Root, etc., which kill the catarrh germs in the blood and mucous membrane, and in this respect are strictly scientific and modern, because all authorities are now agreed that catarrh is a constitutional blood disease, and local applications can have only a transitory effect.

The use of inhalers, douches and sprays is a nuisance and inconvenience and can in no wise compare favorably with the same antiseptics given in tablet form internally, where they can reach the stomach and blood and kill catarrh germs right where they are produced.

A prominent lawyer and public speaker of Pittsburgh says: "I have been troubled with catarrh of the head and throat for twelve years. In this climate it seems impossible to get rid of it. The continual dropping of mucus from the nose into the throat causes irritation and hoarseness, seriously interfering with my public speaking. It took me an hour or more of coughing, gagging, expectorating and sneezing every morning before I could settle down to work, and the condition gradually brought on catarrh of the stomach, causing loss of appetite, poor digestion and a foul breath, which annoyed me exceedingly. My physician advised me to try Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and I took them for two months, and was astonished to find how quickly they cleared my head, throat and stomach, and I have no hesitation in recommending them. They are not only pleasant to take, but they seem to get at the very root of the trouble, because since using them I have had no trace of catarrh."

Druggists sell Stuart's Catarrh Tablets at 50 cents for full sized package. They can be carried in the pocket and used any time and as often as desired since they contain no cocaine, mercury or any other injurious drug.

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ONE MAN WILL TRY TO RIDE
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It is probable that the executive committee of the World's Fair soon will appoint the committee that will have charge of the airship contest.

Letters from inventors are being received every day, asking for the rules and regulations that will govern the contest. These cannot be postponed until the committee shall be appointed.

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So soon as this committee shall be named, its members will come to St. Louis and take the contest off the executive committee's hands. It will be directed to prepare the rules and regulations and send copies of them to leading aeronauts of the world and to all persons who have inquired for them.

"This contest is open for everybody," said President Francis. "No preference will be shown. The prizes must be awarded on merit, and Santos-Dumont may be beaten by some obscure aeronaut."

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Over 500 Letters.

Since the contest was announced as a feature of the World's Fair, the management has received over 500 letters from persons interested in ballooning. Nearly all of the writers have expressed their desire to participate in the tournament.

Herbert Victor Silberer, president of the Vienna Aero Club, has expressed the opinion that one of the conditions of the contest should require that all the balloons be of the same size.

His theory of the purpose of the contest should carry out the desiring of the relative ability of the opposing aeronauts. In a statement to the Associated Press he urges the issuance of a program as soon as possible.

The St. Louis World's Fair should issue a program with the least possible delay. Due notice should be given now. The program should be exceedingly definite and detailed, just as are the conditions usually printed in advance of an important horse race.

"St. Louis should be particularly careful to try to get the balloons all of the same dimensions. The size should be about 1200 cubic feet and, of course, this would not restrict any airship to a particular form. If it covered the required space, it would be within the conditions, whatever its shape might be."

"It is vitally important that the balloons be of uniform size, as every aeronaut knows. I have seen many balloon races in Paris spoiled because of the irregularity in the size."

"This contest should be closed to professionals and open only to amateurs and men who have aerial navigation at heart and long to see the great problem solved upon a practical basis."

"If such conditions are observed the World's Fair management may expect every aero club in Europe to send a representative and a competing balloon."

One of the latest aspirants to enter the field against Santos-Dumont and the other world-famous aeronauts is W. H. Weedon, a railroad clerk in St. Joseph. He says he solved the problem of aerial navigation in 1898 and that a member of the United States signal corps reported favorably on his model. He writes to the Post-Dispatch for information as to the person with whom he may communicate in regard to the World's Fair contest.

Will Try to Ride Into
City on His Airship.

Parvin Wright of Denver, Colo., says he will be sure his airship is a success before he enters the contest. If he cannot ride it to St. Louis he will leave it at home and abandon hopes of winning the great prize.

J. O. Frost, secretary of the Pittsburgh Aerial Navigation Society, in a letter to the executive committee, says:

"Now, that it is absolutely confirmed by recent information, that your company intends stimulating inventors of apparatus for aerial navigation by an offer of prizes aggregating \$200,000, I beg to have you send us at as early a date as convenient, any data or information on the subject that may be of interest to our society and its individual members, and there is a probability, possibly a strong probability that something may be doing by a few of our members in actual aerial navigation within the next few months."

"Who knows but what the United States has something better than a Santos-Dumont for the Louisiana Purchase Co.'s tournament? And why not? In our society we have some skillful inventors, theorists and practical experimenters, as well as balloonists. It has been as good as settled that a costly experiment is to be made at an early moment, which will practically combine the ideas and experiments of several of our most practical members. In fact, it will be a composite experiment. That it will be a success in every way remains to be seen, but that it will embody many features which will be a revelation to many on the outside, there is no doubt."

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CRAWFORD'S A CITY OF SIGHTS

propose, in a word, we cannot keep up this pace but for a few days longer!! There are ten jockeys in this race!! Eight males and two females!! They are hollering out already, "quit, you will ruin our departments!!"

A DELUGE IN A BIG STORE.
Bursting of a water pipe in the warehouse of
Ferguson-McKinney Dry Goods Co.!!!
Damage of an acre of

Ladies' Knit Underwear,
In Cotton, Lisle Thread, Wool and Merino,
by water only, and the purchases by Crawford's of the whole im-
mense stock of seasonable goods at their own prices!!!
NOTE HOW WE LET THEM OUT

Ladies' Swiss Ribbed Cotton Vests, low neck, no
sleeves; Ferguson-McKinney's price
\$1.50 per dozen—Our Price, each.....8c

Ladies' All-Wool Red Medicated Drawers, French
bands, buttons on the side; Ferguson-McKinney's
price \$9.50 per dozen—
Our Price, each.....49c

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Drawers, knee length, wide
knee, lace trimmed, regular sizes and extra large
sizes, vests to match; Ferguson-McKinney's price
\$2.50 per dozen—
Our Price, each.....15c

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Plaited Wool Vests and
Pants, also Heavy Fleece Lined Vests and Pants;
Ferguson-McKinney's price \$4.75
per dozen—Our Price, each.....35c

Ladies' Fast Black All-Wool Cashmere Tights, an-
kle length, closed at the open; Ferguson-McKin-
ney's price \$17.00 per dozen—
Our Price, each.....\$1.00

New Wash Goods
Cows the Cuddle.

2500 yards of the best brands in china and
navy blue prints, market price
64c. Our special Intro-
ductory Price, per yard.....5c

1500 yards of full standard prints in silver
gray, black and whites, market
price 64c. Our special
Introductory Price, per yard.....5c

500 pieces 1 yard wide percale, blue
grounds, white figures and stripes, mar-
ket price 10c. Our special
Introductory Price,
per yard.....7½c

500 yards of 36-inch wide, black and white
shirting percale, extra good line, market
price 19½c. Our special
Introductory Price,
per yard.....10c

In looking over our reserve stock, we find
we have one more case, ab 2000 yards
of that fine 8-1-8c quality fleece lined
flannellette, all fast colors, which
we will close out Friday at,
per yard.....5c

The weather for them.
Now is your last chance for the winter.

Double bed size Comforts, assorted pat-
tern covering—market
price \$1.00—Introductory
Sale Price.....75c

Tufted spring weight Bed Comforts, plain
and ruffled edges—
market price \$2.25—
Introductory Sale Price.....\$1.75

White or Gray Blankets, 11-4 size, well
faced—market sale
price \$1.25—Intro-
ductory Sale Price, pair.....98c

Extra Large 11-4 White Wool Blankets,
with pretty borders—
market price \$4.00—
Introductory Sale Price.....\$2.95

All-Feather Odorless Pillows,
market price \$1.50 per pair;
Introductory Sale Price, each.....49c

Special—The market price of all our fine
sample blankets, ranging from
\$5.00 up to \$37.50 per pair, have been cut
about ¼ for an Introductory Sale Price.

Blankets and
Bedding.

The Only Complete Muslin Stock in
the City.

Yard-wide Bleached Muslin, medium heavy
quality, market price 8c a yard;
Special Introductory Sale
Price, per yard.....4½c

50 pieces 9-4 Bleached Sheetting, full width
and without dressing, market
price 22½c a yard; Special In-
troductory Sale Price, per yd.....19c

The Best Feather Ticking in fancy, blue
and drab and red and drab stripes; mar-
ket price 82½c a yard;
Special Introductory Sale
Price, per yard.....15c

500 Ready-Made Bleached Sheets, 81x90-
inch size, for large beds, heavy quality
and perfectly free from dressing; market
price 60c each—Special
Introductory Sale Price,
each.....49c

1500 Ready-Made Pillow Cases, size 42x36
inches, made of full width muslin, market
price 12½c each. Special
Introductory Sale Price,
each.....10c

Corsets.

Fancy Brocade P. D.
Corsets, in full
gore, medium
waist; worth \$7.50
to \$9.00, now
\$2.49

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B. Corsets, broken
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now
98c

Slightly Soiled Corsets, in short
and medium waists; were 75c, now
25c

The Vast, Grand, Overwhelming, Overshadowing, Unapproachable Tidal Wave SNOW-CAPPED MOUNTAIN SALE

Of this none-such, modern store puts the blinders on and gives the staggers to all the feeble imitators who hover around our corners!! For self-evident reasons we don't have ten jockeys in this race!! Eight males and two females!! They are hollering out already, "quit, you will ruin our departments!!"

A Stamped
in
LINENS
Watch Them
Fly!!

70-inch-wide Cream Table Damask, heavy quality, and several pat-
terns to select from—market price 59c a yard—
special introductory price, a yard.....45c

500 dozen half bleached Napkins, 19 inches square, for hotel and
restaurant use—market price \$1.15 a dozen—
special introductory sale price, a dozen.....89c

One small lot of full bleached Table Damask, 54 inches wide—
market price 25c a yard—
special introductory sale price, a yard.....15c

75 dozen all-linen Hemmed Huck Towels, plain white and colored
borders; size 21x42 inches—market price 35c each—
special introductory sale price, each.....25c

One lot of 11-4 White Crochet Bed Spreads, all slightly soiled—
market price 90c each—
special introductory sale price, each.....69c

Fringed Crochet Bed Spreads, large size, for iron or brass beds—
market price \$1.25 each—
special introductory sale price, each.....\$1.00

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Ladies' Undermuslins.

Ladies' Muslin Gowns, empire style, embroidered
yoke, cambric ruffle on neck and sleeves,
market price 65c—
Introductory price.....45c

Extra Fine Muslin Gowns, yoke trimmed with
six rows of neat embroidery and 8 clusters of
tucks, neck and sleeves trimmed with hem-
stitched ruffle, market price \$1.19—
Introductory price.....75c

Muslin Skirts, umbrella ruffle edged with torchon
lace, also under ruffle, market
price \$1.25—Introductory price.....75c

Cambric Drawers, finished with five rows hem-
stitching and deep hem, market
price 45c—Introductory price.....35c

Cambric Skirts, linen flounce trimmed with three
rows of torchon lace and edge, cambric foot
ruffle, market price \$1.35—
Introductory price.....98c

Fine Cambric Drawers, deep umbrella ruffle,
trimmed with four rows of hemstitching and
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Introductory price.....50c

French Corset Covers, full front, neck lace trim-
med, well made and a perfect fit, mar-
ket price 45c—Introductory price.....25c

Cambric Corset Covers, trimmed with lace inser-
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White Goods

New, fresh Lots.

Extra quality of Pin Checked Nainsook;
market price 10c—
Introductory Price.....7½c

White Figured Pique, in a variety of patterns;
market value 15c—
Introductory Price.....12½c

Heavy Warp Welt Pique; market
price 25c—Introductory Price.....20c

Lace-Stripe Nainsook; market price
10c—Introductory Price.....7½c

Extra quality India Linen, 40 inches wide;
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50 pieces of Sheer India Linen; market
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BALL GUESTS NUMBERED 1000

Annual Social Event of South Broad-
way Merchants' Association
Was a Success.

The annual dress ball of the South Broad-
way Merchants' Association was held Wed-
nesday night at Lemp's Hall, with more
than 1000 persons in attendance. Dancing
began at 9 o'clock, and in the grand march,
which was led by J. V. Feldmann and Miss
Olivia Feldmann, the letters "S. B. M. A." were
formed by the line of men and women.

Among those present were:

Messrs. and Meses—
E. L. Wichter,
Edw. Gidyczewski,
Dr. and Mrs. N. J. Hay,
J. J. Laugel,
Max Rubenstein,
John L. Hunt,
Louis Becker,
Anton Becker,
Louis Kohler,
C. H. Pettou,
John J. West,
William Demer,

Swope's

311 N. BROADWAY.
FEBRUARY CUT
OF FINE WINTER SHOES.
Nothing Reserved. All Grand Bargains.
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS.

MEN'S DEPT.

12 broken lines of Men's Box Calf and Enamel Leather and Vici Kid Shoes, mostly double sole, extension edge, were \$5.00 and \$4.00—
NOW **\$2.50**

10 lines Men's Patent Leather Enamel and Box Calf, 4 up to sole and full extension edge, \$5.00 and \$4.00—
CUT TO **\$3.50**

SPECIAL—NETTLETON'S Men's Enamel and Box Calf Lace Double Decker, pugonion cross-stitch, hand-made all sizes—a grand bargain, \$8.00—
CUT TO **\$5.00**

3 lines Men's Enamel Lace, double sole, a prime winter shoe, \$5.00—
CUT TO **\$4.00**

LADIES' DEPT.

8 lines Ladies' Patent Leather and Vici Kid Lace and Button, \$4.00—
CUT TO **\$3.00**

6 lines Ladies' Vici Kid and Patent Leather Tipped Lace and Button and full Patent Leather, \$5.00—
CUT TO **\$3.50**

9 lines \$5.00 and \$3.50 Ladies' Lace Shoes, Black Vici Kid, Box Calf and Black Russian Lace, double sole, heavy single sole, sizes slightly broken, but all new styles—
NOW **\$2.50**

Ladies' House Slippers, \$3.00 and \$2.50—
CUT TO **\$1.00**

Ladies' Felt Slippers All Reduced.
Misses' Lace and Button Heavy Sole School Shoes, \$3.50 and \$2.50—
CUT TO **\$1.50**

Children's School Shoes, sizes 4 to 10, \$1.50 and \$1.00—
CUT TO **75c**

SEE OUR WINDOWS.

WABASH LEASES FAIR ENTRANCE

GETS STRIP ALONG EDGE OF CATLIN TRACT.
TRACKS WILL BE ELEVATED

Will be Prepared to Handle Both Passengers and Freight—Handsome Station Planned.

The Wabash railway has leased from the Park View Realty Co. a strip of ground along the southern edge of the old Catlin tract for two years, with the understanding that if the World's Fair is not held until after the expiration of that time the lease is to be renewed. From the point of view of transportation, it is the most important step yet taken in the World's Fair plan.

The strip will vary in width from 30 to 200 feet, will be about 5000 feet long and will comprise about 35 acres. It begins at a point about 700 feet east of De Baliviere avenue and runs west to a point 1100 feet west of De Baliviere, somewhat irregular in width, but generally speaking about 30 feet wide throughout this length, except that at the place where it crosses the Wabash tracks, the strip will be 200 feet wide, to permit a passenger station to be built.

From the point 1100 feet west of De Baliviere it continues west a strip of 30 feet wide to the Skinner road, and over this track will be constructed for freight. The strip is about 100 feet south of the Colorado road.

The new tracks and the present Wabash tracks are to be elevated if an ordinance permitting that can be secured, beginning at about the city limits and extending east to a point in Forest Park nearly to King's highway. It is to be a double-track system. There is a report current on the street that the tracks are to be elevated to the Union Station at Eighteenth street, or to a point as near to the Union Station as is practicable; but the report is untrue, and is denied by the Wabash officials. The elevated tracks will be about two miles in length, or about one mile each side of the elevated station at De Baliviere avenue.

The passenger station will cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

Fair Tickets as Sunday School Prizes.
World's Fair tickets are being offered as premiums for merit to pupils of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian Church. Those who excel in regularity of attendance and familiarity with the lessons receive certificates entitling them to one ticket to the Fair, the certificates to be redeemed as soon as the tickets are placed on sale.

No torture compares to that of a rheumatic Prescription No. 2631 by Elmer & Amend quickest relief of all.

Worth Trying.
From the Chicago News.
Brown: A man who speaks to his wife as he does to his horse.
Green: How is that?
Brown: Gentily, but masterfully.

Cured After Years of Pile Torture.

James Kenton, Memphis, Tenn., says: "I suffered the tortures of itching piles for years, and not even mercurial ointment would relieve me. One 50 cent box of Pyramid Pile Cure cured me entirely. All druggists sell it. Book, 'Piles, Causes and Cure,' mailed free. Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich."

In this sale of bargain lots gathered from the mills and factories by our buyers at prices far below list figures, there will be found hundreds of snap bargains not to be duplicated in the city. In the morning hours it will repay you well to visit our seven floors—they are stocked with great attractions for

Extra Special at 8:30

We will place on sale 5 cases of Madras Charvats—these goods are 23 inches wide, absolutely fast colors, sold regularly at 12½c, we will offer Friday 8:30 to 9:30—
7½c

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Humphrey's Corner

Final Reductions
Boys' Department

For Friday and Saturday we have placed on sale two hundred Sail or Blouse Suits at greatly reduced prices.

Strauss & Zheimer BROADWAY & ST. CHARLES ST.

MORE COLDWEATHER PREDICTED

Every Winter Cloak, Raglan, Skirt, Suit, Waist or Fur Must be Sold.
Friday will be a memorable day in our Cloak Dept., so come early.

NOTE THE REDUCED PRICES:

100 Raglans and Long Coats—none worth less than \$12.50 and up to \$20.00—Be quick—Friday they are.....	\$4.98
250 Ladies' 27-in. Jackets, winter weight, \$12 goods.....	\$2.48
30 Ladies' Three-quarter Length Coats.....	\$9.98
35 Seal Jackets—extra special.....	\$14.50
10 Silk Dress Skirts—come early.....	\$3.98
100 Flannel Waists.....	39c
112 Tailor-made Suits—big bargain.....	\$3.48
70 Walking Skirts—be quick.....	\$1.50
80 Dress Skirts—gray only—just the color.....	\$1.98

EVERY FUR IN THE HOUSE GOES IN THIS BIG CLEAN-UP SALE.

Extra Special—All Silk Petticoats to Be Closed Out.
\$10.00 Beautiful Silk Petticoats—every one reduced to price that will sell them quick—don't fail to see them Friday.

Friday Waist Bargain.

1 lot Beautiful Silk and Velvet Waists—all colors and sizes
Not one sold for less than \$6. Come early—Friday.....
You will be waited on promptly



THE PRINCE'S SAFETY TO BE WATCHED

THE PRESIDENT HAS PERSONALLY TAKEN UP THE MATTER.

GREAT CARE AT THE LAUNCHING

Naval Militia, Detectives and Police-men Will Look After Prince Henry.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Wallace W. Downey, member of the firm which is building Emperor William's yacht, has returned from a conference with President Roosevelt. The President is said to have asked particularly about the arrangements as to the crowds at the launching. He is said to have told Mr. Downey that Prince Henry is to be the guest of the nation and that the nation will be responsible for his safety. For that reason great care is imperative in editing the list of guests, and seeing that no one not vouched for by a responsible person shall be permitted to attend.

Mr. Downey has had charge of all the arrangements for the launching, and all the invitations are to be sent from his office. Lists are to be furnished him by the German ambassador, the President and Mayor. In addition to the names on these lists the firm will invite a number of friends and fellow shipbuilders. It was to prevent a too wide distribution of courtesies that the authorities have been careful to restrict the number of invited guests. Every name must be vouched for by the service, because at Washington no name not vouched for in the most satisfactory manner will be allowed to remain on the list.

The New York naval militia, 500 strong, will act as special guard for the prince and the President at the launching. It will be formed in a double line from the pier on which the prince, President Roosevelt and the launching party will stand, and through the line the party will march to the launching place to be erected under the bow of the Meteor.

A large force of secret service men from Washington, central office men and lieutenants in uniform also will be on duty. A squad of secret service men representing all foreign nations also will be present to see that no crank is permitted to get near the prince. Those latter officials, the leading men in their line of work in the great European capitals, will, it is said, accompany the prince on his tour of the country.

Reports of much interest will be made today at the regular meeting of the chamber of commerce, when the various committees charged with the reception of Prince Henry will tell what has been done. Elaborate preparations are being made for the decoration of the Metropolitan Opera House on the night of the gala performance in honor of the prince. A subcommittee of the opera committee is preparing a scheme of decoration which will make the Auditorium appear like a bowl. The colors of Germany will be conspicuously displayed in all parts of the house. The plans call for the expenditure of many thousands of dollars.

Bargains—French Mixed Candy 10c lb. Friday. Imperial, 618 Washington avenue.

FAIR BUILDING IN GERMANY.

A Louisiana Purchase Exposition pavilion will be a feature of the Exhibition of Industry, Art and National Art, to be held at Dusseldorf-on-the-Rhine, Westphalia, opening May 1.

The Dusseldorf exhibition will be the largest of its kind held in Germany for twenty years past. The St. Louis World's Fair management has arranged for an attractive building to be used in the exhibition. Plans are also being considered for the maintenance of headquarters at the international exposition at Cork, Ireland, to be held next year.

STRANGE FRENZY UPHEAVES A TOWN

ONE MAN IN ASYLUM, OTHERS THINK THEY ARE HEALERS.

BEGAN AT UNION REVIVAL

Followers of Young Farmer Think as He Does, That He Is the Holy Ghost.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
CEDARVILLE, N. J., Feb. 6.—One man in an insane asylum under the delusion that he is the Holy Ghost, others going about declaring they have been anointed divine healers, fully a score momentarily awaiting the ministrations of the Holy Ghost, and a religious frenzy that is sweeping over this town. The county and town authorities have determined to take some action to stop it for fear there will be many more unbalanced by the peculiar hysterical strain, but decisive action only, it is believed, will do this, for the overwrought participants in the movement will not listen to reason.

Almost without warning the movement sprang into being a short time ago at a union revival service held by several churches of the town. At that time a dozen or more men and women who had been most active in the services arose from their seats and, led by Lewis Noble, a prosperous young farmer, declared that the ministrations were being performed in holiness and had not the spirit of the Lord.

All efforts to quiet them for a time were unsuccessful, as they continued to protest. At last they were moving, and after a conduct meeting of their own. It is Noble who is now in the insane asylum at Brighton, the county seat, nine miles north but not vouchsafed by his followers are holding almost hourly meetings at their different homes.

Pray the Preacher May Be Afflicted.

There was only laughter when the meetings first began, but to this no attention was paid by the enthusiasts. "The Lord will direct us," they said, and from night to night they wait for word from him before deciding whose houses they would enter and with their faces prone upon the floor they pray hour after hour.

"May the Lord hold all our churches over brimstone until they preach true salvation and holiness," is one of the prayers.

"May the Lord strike Preacher Parker hard if he fails to preach the spirit of truth," they pray one night.

It was when Noble determined to prepare the residents of the village for the end of the world that the climax came. Coming from house to house, and without the aid of a key, he entered the homes of those in whose families were at dinner and laid down in the parlor.

"I am the Holy Ghost! Prepare yourselves. The end is at hand! Without waiting for reply, hastening to prepare as many as he could according to his delusion, he passed on from house to house, leaving a crowd of hooting and jeering youngsters. Reviling and cursing him, they followed him as he delivered, and fearing to molest him, they followed him, in his delusion, to divide themselves into two processions.

"I am only half the Holy Ghost," he told them. "The other half has gone up into the street. Part of you must follow him and the remainder may follow me. A declaration of them called upon Noble's father, and finally consisted in a battle with the two physicians and pronounced insane, and is now under Dr. J. Smith's care at the county institution.

"It is one of the strangest cases that have ever come under my notice," said Dr. Smith tonight. "For two weeks he has been in the asylum, and he has not slept an hour. I am told that for two days and nights after he was confined he was watched closely and refused to keep him from killing himself by striking his head against the floor or walls. But now he is quieter and I have hopes of his recovery."

Believe Noble Divine Healer.

Divine healing is believed by the enthusiasts to have been conferred upon him as special mark of the favor in which they are held by the Lord. Clarence Wiswam is the chief of those who believe they have this power. From one to another he has been going with his offer of a free cure of all their ills. Leonard Dowdham, Sr., is the sexton of one of the churches in the town. He has been afflicted with rheumatism. Wiswam wanted to cure him, but was roughly repulsed.

The four people being led by the devil," the sexton told him. Wiswam tried to convince the old man that the Lord, and not the devil, was leading him, but his pleas were unavailing.

"I was a total wreck—could not eat or sleep," writes Mr. O. Berns of Berryman, Crawford Co., Mo. "For two years I tried medicine from doctors, but they did me no good. I lost flesh and strength, was not able to do a good day's work. I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and when I had taken one bottle I could sleep, and my appetite was wonderfully improved. I have taken five bottles and am still improving."

Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser, paper-covered, is sent free on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

The Truth

Is told by most people. If it were not, the whole commercial and social fabric would fall to pieces. There are thousands upon thousands of people who testify to the cures effected by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. They are representative people in their communities. They are men and women who would believe their word on any question of knowledge. They speak the simple truth when they testify that Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures dyspepsia, "weak stomach and other diseases of the stomach and its allied organs of digestion and nutrition. It cures when all other means have failed. It cures perfectly and permanently. There is no alcohol in the "Discovery." It is free from opium, cocaine and all other narcotics. Accept no substitute for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. There is nothing "just as good."

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PLANS A COLONY ON SECRET ISLAND

VAN WART CLAIMS HE ONLY KNOWS ITS WHEREABOUTS.

PERPETUAL SUMMER THERE

It is Out in the Pacific, Not on Any Map and Large, Fruitful and Rich.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—The Island Home Association is the name of an organization just starting into life that has for its purpose, as its promoter declares, the settlement of an hitherto unexplored island in the South Pacific Ocean.

D. M. Van Wart, a San Francisco dealer in ship supplies, is actively engaged in recruiting, and when a sufficient number have agreed to unite their fortunes for the purpose of locating in this paradise of the Pacific, he is going to picture it, a vessel will be purchased and they will sail away to this remote spot from the turmoil of this civilization, where life is a continuous struggle for bread.

How the island happened to be discovered is a romance which the author of the enterprise tells with much interest. It was found, he says, several years ago by a wandering captain while cruising in those waters on his return to San Francisco. He told Van Wart all about it and its location. This latter man who knows its exact location, who after returning from his cruise, confirmed what his predecessor had claimed. The captain claimed the island and brought away many specimens of hard wood, shale, rock and various other interesting things.

The Rainwater Rifles will give their 15th annual reception and ball Friday evening at the Union Club. Dockery and his staff are expected to attend. The reception committee is composed of Messrs. C. C. Rainwater, E. A. Warren, Adolph J. Royce, Albert G. Blanke, C. F. Blanke, Charles E. M. Gubler, Harry E. Hawer, William A. Hobbs, J. E. Kenney, Jacob Klein, John D. Manley, L. Causey, McElwain, F. F. Parker, Robert E. Ringen and Ernest Schoen.

Every day and Sunday, too. "The City," Leaves Union Station at 8:30.

THE "CENTURY" Broadway and Franklin.

perpetual summer, where life may be spent with both pleasure and profit.

In speaking of the commercial end of the matter Mr. Van Wart said:

"I have had extensive dealings with the people of the South seas and have been directly connected with nearly all the principal traders of the numerous groups of islands of the Pacific, and am, therefore, familiar with the many and varied commercial possibilities. So many changes have taken place in the last few years through the medium of wars and divers other causes that the South sea islands have become very important, and when an isthmian canal is completed, which will be in the near future, these islands will have the whole world for a market.

The Samoan islands have been divided by the United States, Germany and England. Germany has the Ladrone group, save Guam, which was captured by the United States. We know how the islands have been divided, which, with the Philippines, makes a grand total of 170 islands that have changed hands in the past four years.

From these facts Mr. Van Wart deduces the idea that there remain many more valuable insular lands to discover.

Busy Bee—Bargain day tomorrow. See late 20c and Caramel Mixture, 10c per lb.

LOST SON IS SOUGHT.

Clifton Tutwiler of Clinton, Ind., Disappeared in This City.

Clifton Tutwiler, aged 15, is believed to be lost in St. Louis. His father, James P. Tutwiler, of Clinton, Ind., is searching for him, and has requested the aid of the police.

Clifton Tutwiler came to St. Louis last Friday from Hot Springs, Ark., where he had been for his health. He telegraphed to his father from this city for money and his father wired back a railroad ticket. The ticket was not called for.

The Rainwater Rifles will give their 15th annual reception and ball Friday evening at the Union Club. Dockery and his staff are expected to attend. The reception committee is composed of Messrs. C. C. Rainwater, E. A. Warren, Adolph J. Royce, Albert G. Blanke, C. F. Blanke, Charles E. M. Gubler, Harry E. Hawer, William A. Hobbs, J. E. Kenney, Jacob Klein, John D. Manley, L. Causey, McElwain, F. F. Parker, Robert E. Ringen and Ernest Schoen.

Every day and Sunday, too. "The City," Leaves Union Station at 8:30.

STOCK EXCHANGE MAKES CLAIM

It Wants Proceeds of Gaylord & Blesing Membership Sales.

Walter D. Coles, referee in bankruptcy, took under advisement Wednesday afternoon the application of Capt. Charles W.

THE UMPIRE

Where taste is the test, flavor is the umpire, hence it is that the Old, Rich, Mellow Flavor of Hunter Baltimore Rye has made it The Most Popular Whiskey in America

DAVID HUNTER, JR., St. Louis, Mo.

Coak Stock Must Be Closed Out!

Every Jacket, Every Raglan, Every Box Coat, Every Suit, Every Skirt, Every Wrapper, Every Waist, Every Fur Scarf, Every Child's Cloak and Every Cape MUST BE SOLD OUT AT ONCE!

Every garment must be gotten rid of within 10 days. Name your own price. No reasonable offer will be refused. WE HAVE OUR REASONS. READ THE ITEMS ON SALE.

Children's Fur Sets. Worth \$1.50, to close..... 49c
Worth \$2.00, to close..... 98c
Worth \$3.50, to close..... \$1.98
Worth \$5.00, to close..... \$2.98
Worth \$7.50, to close..... \$4.98

Tailor-Made Suits. Odds and ends, worth up to \$12.00, to close..... \$3.98
\$15.00 Suits, to close..... \$7.98

Dress Skirts. Trimmed Skirts, up to \$4.00, to close..... \$1.98
\$5.00 and \$7.00 Skirts, to close..... \$3.98
Full Length Skirts, to close..... \$5.98
\$10.00 magnificent trimmed Velvet Skirts, to close..... \$5.98

Fur Coats and Etons. From \$22.50 and..... \$9.98

Children's Coats at 49c, at \$1.49, at \$1.98, at \$2.98—Worth Three Times as Much. \$1.98 Children's Plaid Cloth Dresses, 98c

Ladies' \$1 Flannelette and Ladies' \$1.50 Flannelette and Ladies' \$1.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$2.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$3.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$4.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$5.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$6.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$7.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$8.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$9.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$10.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$11.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$12.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$13.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$14.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$15.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$16.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$17.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$18.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$19.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$20.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$21.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$22.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$23.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$24.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$25.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$26.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$27.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$28.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$29.98 Flannelette and Ladies' \$30.98 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MRS. SHAW WON GOLDEN OPINIONS

AT HER RECEPTION SHE HAD 1500 CALLERS.

KNOWS HOW TO SHAKE HANDS

Washington Society Has Decided That New Secretary's Wife Is Going to Be a Prime Favorite.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Shaw is a wonder and all Washington has surrendered to her. In the Louis Quinze drawing rooms at the Arlington, Mrs. Shaw received an ovation at her first reception on yesterday afternoon. She had nearly 1500 callers, a number not equalled at any cabinet reception in five years. She wore a handsome black satin gown with a train, trimmed with open work over cream silk. The bodice was adorned with butterfly bows of black and white satin and the yoke was of thread lace over cream satin.

Mrs. Shaw won golden opinions by her cordial manner, and the universal judgment was that the wife of the new secretary of the treasury would prove one of the most popular women who had come to Washington in recent years.

"I do not dread social duties," she said. "I am fond of meeting people and I have such excellent health that I do not fear the fatigue of large receptions."

Mrs. Shaw proved this by the hearty way she clasped the hand of every visitor. One society votary voiced the sentiment of many when she remarked that it was a comfort to find a cabinet hostess who really liked to see her callers. For years cabinet women seem to have considered it one of their unpleasant duties to receive the general public.

Assisting Mrs. Shaw were Mrs. Platt of Connecticut, Mrs. and Miss Doliver and Mrs. and Miss Hull.

ARCHIVES SEARCHED FOR LAWS

Strange Proceedings in London Courts to Prevent Confirmation of Bishop Gore.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—One of the strangest spectacles in London is the scene enacted daily in the divisional court before the lord chief justice. This is the mandamus proceeding directed against the archbishop of Canterbury and the vicar-general for hearing and considering certain doctrinal objections to the confirmation of Canon Gore as bishop-elect. Presenting two names, Gore and the vicar-general, the lord chief justice vainly endeavoring to induce the barristers to get on.

The lawyers' tables were loaded with musty folio volumes of statutes in the time of Henry VII and Queen Elizabeth from the British museum and the Lambeth library, and the learned solicitors were constantly unclasping great brass hinges and poring over worn-out pages.

The object of this extended invasion of the ecclesiastical archives is to demonstrate whether any limitation can be placed upon the royal prerogative in the selection of a bishop when the prime minister has, according to custom, presented two names, and the monarch has been pleased to favor the first rather than the second.

Shoe Dealers to Organize.

A meeting of retail shoe dealers and managers of shoe departments of the downtown stores was held at 44 Mermod-Jacard building yesterday afternoon for the purpose of forming an association to promote harmony and good fellowship among dealers in this line.

The following temporary officers were elected: Frank Ames of the J. G. Brandt shoe Co., chairman; B. Gerdeman of the Royal Shoe Co., secretary.

The following members were enrolled: T. J. Reid, Julius Harris, C. H. Rolling, John Egan, J. A. Hutchinson and F. Mayberry.

A committee was appointed to call on all shoe dealers in the city and another meeting will be held Feb. 11 and permanent quarters will be selected.

Careless Burglar Caught.

When James Quigley broke into Belmont & Ottmer's tailor shop at 817 North Sixth street and exchanged his tattered suit of clothing for a new suit, he neglected to remove from the pocket of his coat a letter addressed to himself. The letter proved his undoing, and he is now in prison at the Four Courts. Detective Cordell met him on the street Wednesday and arrested him. He confessed the theft.

Sonnenfeld's
LACKERMAN, MANAGERS E.B. KLINE.
419-421-423-425-N. BROADWAY.

4 UNMATCHABLE FRIDAY BARGAINS!

\$10, \$12 and \$15 Raglans and Automobiles, Friday,

\$5.00

\$15, \$20 and \$25 Suits for Friday,

\$7.50

\$5.00 and \$6.00 Ladies' Skirts for Friday,

\$1.50

\$2.00 Flannel Waists, Friday,

50c

SHE PLEASSED HER WOULD-BE CRITICS



MRS. LESLIE M. SHAW.
The wife of the new secretary of the treasury, late governor of Iowa, has surprised her would-be critics in Washington society by her affability, polish, refinement, social grace and evident pleasure in meeting people.

SCHWAB RECEIVES MUCH ATTENTION

INVITATIONS POUR IN ON HIM IN LONDON.

COMING HOME SATURDAY

Friday He Will Be the Guest of the Lord Mayor of London.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.
(Copyright, 1902, by the Press Publishing Co.)
LONDON, Feb. 6.—Despite his assurance that he is merely on a holiday trip, Charles M. Schwab is busily engaged both at the Carlton Hotel and the London offices of the United States Steel Corporation.

He strongly denies that he is returning to America in deference to a cable dispatch summoning him to New York, and says that before he left New York he arranged to return this week.

Mr. Schwab was entertained last night at a dinner given by Col. Milner Hunsdicker, the London representative of the American Steel Trust, to meet number of prominent American commercial men now residents in or visiting London. These include Charles P. Schoen and Mr. Keene. Among the English guests present was Sir Thomas Lipton. The menu bore the union jack and the stars and stripes intertwined.

Mr. Schwab has been inundated with invitations to other gatherings, most of which he must refuse, as he certainly will sail for New York on Saturday.

He will lunch at the houses of Parliament today to meet Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and other prominent persons, and will be the guest of the lord mayor of London at the Mansion House next Friday.

Removal.
City ticket and freight office of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, now located at 220 Olive street.

MISSOURI'S GREATEST STORE.

DAVIS

MID-WEEK BARGAIN NEWS

Gains in interest day by day. Choice little lots, odd pieces, pretty garments, all go—some for half, some for less than half their actual cost.

Extraordinary Value-Giving in Cloak and Suit Department

Never have you needed these garments so much as now. Never have you been able to save so much money and secure really handsome garments as our Friday selling will afford you the opportunity for.

\$1.98 for \$5.00 Ladies' Winter Jackets.
marked as follows:
\$1.98 for \$5.00 Ladies' Winter Jackets. **\$2.98** for \$6.00 Ladies' Winter Jackets. **\$5.00** for \$10.00 Ladies' Winter Jackets. **\$6.75** for \$12.00 Ladies' Winter Jackets. **\$7.50** for \$15.00 Ladies' Winter Jackets.

\$5.00 for \$15.00 Ladies' Three-Quarter Coats.
blue, tan, red, brown and castor. Reduced as follows:
\$5.00 for \$15.00 Ladies' Three-Quarter Coats. **\$7.50** for \$18.00 Ladies' Three-Quarter Coats. **\$10.00** for \$25.00 Ladies' Three-Quarter Coats.

\$5.98 for \$15.00 Ladies' Long Coats.
lined—all have been reduced to half and less than half former prices as follows:
\$5.98 for \$15.00 Ladies' Long Coats. **\$6.75** for \$20.00 Ladies' Long Coats. **\$10.00** for \$25.00 Ladies' Long Coats. **\$12.50** for \$27.50 Ladies' Long Coats.

75c for \$2.00 Flannel Waists.
Entire stock of Flannel Waists is to be closed out—fine Botany and French Flannels, in all colors, styles and sizes, to be sold as follows:
75c for \$2.00 Flannel Waists. 98c for \$2.50 Flannel Waists. 1.08 for \$3.00 Flannel Waists. 2.08 for \$4.50 Flannel Waists.

\$1.98 for \$4.00 Girls' Wool Dresses.
and lined, to be closed out as follows:
\$1.98 for \$4.00 Girls' Wool Dresses. **\$2.98** for \$5.00 Girls' Wool Dresses. **\$3.98** for \$6.00 Girls' Wool Dresses. **\$5.00** for \$7.50 Girls' Wool Dresses.

98c for \$3.00 Girls' Winter Coats.
Girls' good heavy Winter Coats, large assortment of styles, materials and colors—odds and ends—broken sizes—be sold as follows:
98c for \$3.00 Girls' Winter Coats. 1.08 for \$4.00 Girls' Winter Coats. 1.25 for \$5.00 Girls' Winter Coats. 1.50 for \$6.00 Girls' Winter Coats.

65c for \$1.50 Flannelette Wrappers.
Our great stock of Flannelette Wrappers is being cleared at a very rapid rate—all are full size, perfect fitting garments, trimmed waists, founce skirts—linenback and unlined—black only—be sold as follows:
65c for \$1.50 Flannelette Wrappers. 79c for \$1.75 Flannelette Wrappers. 98c for \$2.25 Flannelette Wrappers. **\$1.49** for \$2.75 Flannelette Wrappers.

75c for \$3.00 Electric Seal Storm Collars.
These are two items picked at random from our immense fur stock—and shows the ratio of reductions now being made to clear our fur department—Collarettes, Storm Collars, Muffs, Boas and Scarfs—all have been marked down to about half regular prices as follows:
75c for \$3.00 Furs. 1.08 for \$4.00 Furs. 1.25 for \$5.00 Furs. 1.50 for \$6.00 Furs. 1.75 for \$7.50 Furs. 2.08 for \$8.00 Furs. 2.50 for \$10.00 Furs. 3.00 for \$12.00 Furs. 3.50 for \$14.00 Furs. 4.00 for \$16.00 Furs. 4.50 for \$18.00 Furs. 5.00 for \$20.00 Furs.

\$1.98 for \$5.00 Dress Skirts.
Odds and ends in high-class Dress Skirts, Russian Suits, odds, Cheviots and Homespun—thoroughly well made and lined—good styles—to be sold out as follows:
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Housefurnishings and Kitchen English Porcelain Dinner Ware at Half Price.

We have taken five of our best open stock English Porcelain patterns and will close them out on Friday at just half the regular marked price. We need the room for new goods arriving daily. A good opportunity to make up a dinner or tea service, or to replace the broken pieces of your set at Half Price. On special tables in the China Basement.

Dinner Plates, regular price \$1.20	Gravy Tureens, regular price 20c
Breakfast Plates, regular price 96c	Sauce Boat, regular price 75c
Tea Plates, regular price 84c	Pickle Dishes, regular price 15c
Soup Plates, regular price 96c	Coffee Cups and Saucers, regular price \$1.20
Meat Dishes, medium, regular price 39c	Tea Pots, regular price 40c
Meat Dishes, small, regular price 39c	Sugar Bowls, regular price 30c
Covered Vegetable Dishes, regular price 60c	Cream Pitchers, regular price 13c
Uncovered Vegetable Dishes, regular price 15c	Water Jugs, 24s, regular price 19c
Salad Bowls, regular price 80c	Water Jugs, 12s, regular price 30c
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Ladies' Enamel Leather Lace Shoes, heavy soles, round toes, Goodyear welt soles, \$4.00, reduced to **\$1.48**

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POLE BURGGLARS ARRIVED ONLY \$10

They Passed By Mr. Hocke's
Seven Bull Dogs.

WAKED HIM AND HIS NURSE

PLEASANT CONVERSATION MAIN-
TAINED WHILE SHE GOT
THE MONEY.

Then They Thanked the Family, Had
the Nurse Let Them Out and Left
the Silverware Behind
Them.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—The burglars who
robbed Julius C. Hocke were the most
apologetic cracksmen recorded in the history
of crime. They lacked the breeding and
polish of the famous Gentleman Burglar
of Stockbridge, but they were also de-
void of his cynicism.

Mr. Hocke is chief engineer of the Eastern
division of the Lehigh Valley Railroad,
and lives in Bayonne, N. J. He is pro-
trated with rheumatism and is in charge
of a trained nurse, a Miss Moore.

Mr. Hocke's bedroom is the largest on
the second floor of his house. Miss Moore
sleeps in a room just beyond, while Mrs.
Hocke's room is on the other side of her
husband's.

Seven Bull Dogs

Did Not Stop Them.

Two burglars, wearing rubber over-
shoes, approached Mr. Hocke's house at 1 a. m.
Down in the basement seven choice bul-
ldogs were kennelled, each with a splendid
reputation as watchdog. Peter was the an-
gel of the corps, a big, bowlegged, heavy
jawed, crinkly tailed terrier, capable of
holding an elephant by the trunk if he was
awake. But "Peter" and his aides were
asleep.

Match stubs in every part of the rooms
on the ground floor show that the burglar
made a tour of the reception room, the
drawing room and the dining room, gal-
lery and the kitchen, with his hands in
his pockets. Then they tiptoed to the top
floor of the house and descended to Mr. Hocke's
room, and then advanced to Miss Moore's
bedside. One of them, the gang around
the nurse. She saw two shadowy figures
standing over her, tall, one short; both
wearing handkerchiefs and rubber shoes,
their faces, covering all but the eyes.

"What is it? What do you want?" Miss
Moore cried.

"Sh-sh-sh," replied the tall one. "We're
burglars, don't you know?"

A revolver was held close to Miss Moore's
protruding eyes.

"We're burglars, lady; understand? But
we don't want to trouble, said the tall
one. "What is it, money?"

"You'd better speak to Mr. Hocke, then,"
Miss Moore advised.

The two walked boldly to Mr. Hocke's
bedside and exclaimed: "Hey, there, wake
up."

"What the devil do you want?" asked the
tall man.

"Money," answered the burglars. "Just
keep quiet now and we'll—"

"You're in the wrong house," said Mr.
Hocke, indignantly. "I've been asleep for
four months. You can't get anything
out of me."

They Only Wanted
About Ten Dollars.

"But you've got \$10, haven't you?" asked
the short man.

"O, I might get it for you if you behave
yourself," said Mr. Hocke, who noticed
that the masked men were young and
inclined to be deferential. One went
to a closet and searched the pockets of Mr.
Hocke's clothes, then he came back. "What
d'ye git?" asked his pal.

"Notin' doing," said the searcher.

"I don't think you fellows are up to much
as burglars," Mr. Hocke observed, as he
critically inspected the pair.

"An' dat's no lie, boss," each assured
him. "You can see we are green at dis
business. We're only here 'cause we want
to raise enough dough to git out of
dis town. Give us ten, will you, boss?"

"I will," replied the tall one, "if you'll
behave yourselves decently."

"We're only too glad to do what's right by
ye boss," said the tall man. "I'll tell
you what we'll do. You dig up the ten, we'll
leave all the silver we've got packed up in
the dining room."

"Poo," said Mr. Hocke, "you haven't
much there. That's all plated stuff."

"We've kept all our silver in the strong box
since we were robbed three years ago."

"An' you goin' to pack it away, 'cause the
short one dolefully. "Oh, dis business is no
good for us. It makes us sore to do
dis work. Give us ten, will you, boss, an'
we'll do a sneak."

"Very well, but you must keep quiet,"
said Mr. Hocke. "If you make a sound,
I'll have you both arrested."

"Dis is our first job, boss," said the
short one, whose face was so pale that it
seemed to have been painted white.

"Ah, you lie," cried the tall one. "We've
been on der graft a few months."

"Show, snuff Mr. Hocke, 'you smell
like grocery clerk."

"How's dat?" asked the tall one.

"Well, anyway, we are sorry to disturb
you, boss," said the tall one. "You bein'
sick too."

Mrs. Hocke found her portmanteau, seized
the roll of bills amounting to either
\$25 or \$27 and thrust it into Miss Moore's
hand.

They Took the Money
Most Apologetically.

"Oh, send them away," she exclaimed.

"Never fear, lady, you're all right," said
both the burglars politely.

The tall young man took the money from
Miss Moore, straightened out the bills,
counted them and then he looked at the
short one. "Chee," he declared, "dis bunch beats
our last. Ladies an' gent, we'll be sayin'
good night. Now, it makes us sore to do
dis work, but we need der cash. It's pretty
rough on a sick man, boss, and we hope
we ain't done ye no harm. Well take care
of yerself."

The burglars walked gently down the
stairs. They found the latch of the kitchen
door too difficult, so they asked Miss Moore
to come down and let them out. She unlocked
the door. The tall one handed
Mr. Hocke's marine glasses and a big
silver key to his chest along with the
Newark Bay Yacht Club regatta.
"Here," he exclaimed, "you treated us
white, so the dough keep der things on
you."

ST. LOUIS CHEAPEST STORE

Men's Furnishing

Mistakes At 25c On the Dollar.

Men's Underwear and Shirts must
be closed out at once. Do not miss
this chance to buy Winter Underwear
and Shirts at Less than Half Price—

Men's and Boys' Shirts—extra well made of
Perth and Madras with and without collar
—with 5 and 10 to 12—special for
Friday from 10 to 12—18c

2.00 Shirts, 49c.

A lot of Men's Fine Shirts made of the most
French madras, percale, dimities—soft and stiff
—made in light and dark colors—some with
patterns, and we guarantee them to be equal
to best in price and perfect fitting—size from
14 to 20—sold by leading haberdashers at \$1.50
—and they're worth it, too—we will sell—49c
Friday while they last.

3.00 Wool Shirts, \$1.35

Men's fine wool FLANNEL SHIRTS—the best
that is made—made of fine wool—some with
single breasted in blue, brown and gray—we
guarantee the shirts to be fast colors—\$1.35
Friday while they last.

Men's and Boys' 50c Jersey Gowns—
your choice Friday—10c

Men's Underwear—Bridgman speed and wool
mixed—can't be better—ribbed, satin trim-
med, pearl buttons—in plain and fancy colors
—size 8 to 10—15c

Men's fine All-Wool Underwear in lamb's wool
—can't be better—natural and medicated scarlet-
—single and double-breasted—worth up to
\$2.00—will go Friday—98c

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Ninety Pieces From London's Collection Brought \$53,000.
LONDON, Feb. 6.—The sale of valuable

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6000 Tons Will Be Shipped From Tacoma for the First Time.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 6.—The steamship Matilda has been chartered by Kerr, Gifford & Co. of this city to carry 6000 tons of choice milling wheat from Tacoma direct

to Stockholm. This will be the first shipment of wheat from the Northwest direct to Sweden.

To Celebrate Emmet's Birthday.
At a meeting of Irish Nationalists Wednesday evening, arrangements were completed for the celebration of the 134th

birthday anniversary of Robert Emmet, upon a scale that will eclipse all former celebrations of the day in St. Louis. The entertainment will be held Tuesday evening, March 4, at Piekwick Theater, Washington and Jefferson avenues. Among the speakers will be Circuit Judge O'Neill Ryan and Adjutant M. de Rov. late of the

Boer patriot army. The court scene of Emmet's trial and condemnation will be reproduced. Prof. Francis E. Cook declaiming Emmet's famous speech as to why sentence of death should not be passed upon him.

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Adults; furnace heat; all conveniences.
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ST. HL., 3892—First-class board and ac-
com. house newly decorated and furnis-
hed to parties; gentlemen preferred.

N. ST., 2906—Well furnished room
modern conveniences; \$8 for two.

ON AV., 894D—Room and board for 2, private family.

AV. 2923—\$4 week; warm, pleasant for two, excellent board; own home.

BL. 3910—Elegantly furnished room; first-class board; couple or gent. espec.

ST. 3012—Well-heated room, 2d & 3d floor; reasonable to young folks esp.

AV. 2823—Rare chance; back parlor; heat; home cooking; private.

AV. 3213—Neatly furnished heated

AV. 3311—Neatly furnished warm room; hot bath; gentlemen preferred; reasonable.
 AV. 3112—Large 3½-story front porch; heating; other rooms very reasonable.
 AV. 5070—Pleasant room, nicely furnished; hot bath; good board; reasonable.
 WESTER AV. 4510—Furnished rooms; with or without board.
 END AV. 4306—Pleasant room, with small family; plenty hot and cold water.

ST. 3431—Corner house; nice interior; perfect heat; excellent table; plenty of room; most reasonable rates in city. T. 262A.

ST. 3351—Beautiful room, good board; perfect heat; reas.; 3 gentlemen or couple.

MARKET ST. 4324—Children's Cottages—Room and board for children; one of the most modern places in the city; terms reasonable; taking children at all ages; very nice nurse in charge; investigate before placing your children elsewhere; space for hire.

AV. 2014—Front room; m. ex. w.
ard, for two; Compton Heights.

2918—Nicely furnished, well heated with board; reasonable; day boarders wanted.

3211—Second-story front room; good table; all conveniences.

3016—Lovely south room; two gentlemen; all conv., \$4.50 week each.

AND BOARD—Jefferson, near Cherokee—furnished room, for gentleman; with or without board.

ST., 1251 N.—Wanted, children to board
month; best of care.

AV., 326-3—Board for couple or two g
mouth front room; references exchange

AV., 5741—Two nicely furnished room
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TON AV., 3107—Two connecting room
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TON AV., 3227—Furnished rooms;
bath; hot bath, furnace; without board

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For gentlemen; board if desired.
L.F. PL., 3910—Rooms, with or without
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WANTED—Young railroad man and wife; state terms. Ad. D 119, Post-Ida.

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BOARD WANTED—Gent wants room with n 3 blocks of Vandeventer av.; state full particulars; comfort Ad. C. C., 631 N. Vandeventer av.

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No. 3157—Furnished flat; four rooms.
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Y. 3557—9-room house; furnace, sailing; low rent; excellent neighborhood.

Y. 2628—Three-room brick house; Keeley & Co., 113 Chestnut st.

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 West End; state terms. Box 505, city.

